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Applicant: James R. Patterson
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For: Magnetic Plumb Bob Holder

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Examiner: Travis M. Reis

TRANSMITTAL LETTER AND PETITION FOR
EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. It is respectfully requested under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office action of July 22, 2003 in the above identified application to December 22, 2003.

A check in the amount of \$475.00 for response within the third month (37 CFR 1.17(a)) by a small entity is enclosed. No additional fee is required for excess claims.

In the event that additional time is necessary to render the amendment timely, the Commissioner is respectfully requested to extend the shortened statutory period for response to the outstanding Office action and is authorized to charge the appropriate fee(s) to Deposit Account No. 06-1090.

Respectfully submitted,

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